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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June 3, 2003.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from September 3, 2003 to October 3, 2003.